SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Aviation is such a thing that it is always on the move. The avionics, the kind of aircraft, the kind of engines, the latest kinds of aircraft—all these are coming in the world and naturally they would like to have a proper airport, a better airport and also "have those aero-bridges-even. But it is not right that just because I feel •there is not enough traffic I should neglect a, certain part of the country. We are. improving; we have improved m Delhi; we have improved in J. ajnmu; and we are going in for a new airport at Gwalior. All over the country, wherever it is necessary, wherever, it is needed, it is being done. I would like to inform you that our traffic is going up internally. Maybe the airport which is being used for inter, national and national flights, we will use it for the. national airlines and have this small airport as international one used for the foreign airlines and Air India

MR. CHAIRMAN: Next question. No. 105.

Vayudoot Flights to and from Ludhiana in Punjab

•105. SHRJ PAWAN KUMAR., BANSAL: Wilj the Minister o*. CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Vayudopt flights to and from Ludhiana in Punjab have been irregular during the last few months;

(b) fit so, what are the reasons therefor and what steps have been taken to adhere to the schedule; and

(c) what action has been taken to provide basic facilities. to the passengers of the Ludhiana Airport?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OS! THE MINISTRY OF CiyiL AVIA-T^QN (S^RJvJAGDJSH TYTLER):

(a) During the last three months there were 4 cancellations and some cases of delays of the scheduled flights of Vayudoot to Ludhiana.

(b) Cancellations/delays of Vayudoot flights to Ludhiana were mainly due to. the fact that out of the 3 Avro aircraft available for operations from the Delhi base, 2 Avro aircraft remained grounded for major checks /overhauls/repairs from January, 1987 onwards thereby' leaving only one Avro aircraft, available for operations,

(c) The basic facilities namely a passenger lounge, seating arrange mfpts^ tejepbpnea and checkritt facilities are available at Ludhiana.

SHRI: PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Ltfdhiana which is veritably cal'ed the Manchester of Punjab is a very important industrial town and has contributed significantly to the foreign exchange kitty of the nation. By the very nature of thefir work, industrialists from thejre have often to make short journeys to Delhi and after attending an office, or to any other work have to return in, time to Ludhiana., Besides the irregular: flights which they often have to face*, the other very aggravating fatcor is the timing. The schedule itself has been changed. Earlier the flight would., leave Delhi in the morning at around 8 o'clock and return around 10 o'clock here in the morning itselt I would like to know-from the . honourable Minister as to what factors -necessitated the change in the scheule and what are the reasons for the cancellation of the second flight fox Ludhiana.

SHRI JAQDISH TYTLER: I have ju^t read in the, answer why they were cancelled.

SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: The second was -a Dprnier night, not, an Avro flight

SHRIv JAGDISH ^YTLER: You kn$Jw. the problems we were having with Dorniers. A regular discussion took place in the House and since we said that we will not compromise on the safety and security of the people, that is how whenever there was g gnag in the aircraft, we had to send it for a proper check-up and that is One of the reasons why delays took plape. But, Sir, I would like to take this opportunity and inform the Member from both sides that right from the inception of Vayudoot, it Was never considered as a regular, scheduled airline. This is considered «s more of a bush operation* for minimum requirements, for the facilitation of the passengers and also these flights can be operated under VF/ conditions. ', I thought it is best tbat once for all let me make a state, ttent that Vayudoot is accepted as regular in comparison to the Indian Airlines " whereas that was not the Idea when Vayudoot was, introduced. Vayudoot wag considered to connect •s. many stations as possible with the least expenditure because it is in airline which is not even generating enough funds. We are ' getting *ome money from the Indian Airlines •nd we are getting some money from Air-India so that we could start this small airline which is of a bush operation.

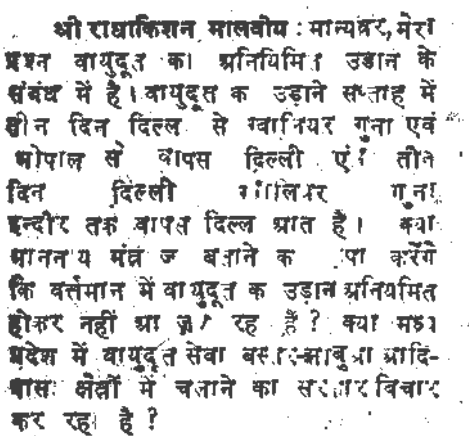
SHRI PAWAN KUMAR BANSAL: Sir, in my humble opinion, the basic facilities include the timely intimation about cancellation or delay ? of flight, which is never done by the Vayudoot authorities there, and the answer that we have otherwise is that the basic facilities provided there include the provision of a lounge, that is, seating arrangement, telephone and check-in facilities. Sir, the question that i have to pose to the honourable Minister js as to when tre have included check-in facilities inthe basic facilities which have to be provided to the passengers which, of course, would -include availability of drinking water, a canteen and provision of local transport to and from the city, Would these thing* *b* done at Ludhiana?

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Okay, I will consider the Member^ d«« mands.

श्री हरवेन्द्र सिंह हंसपाल : चेयरमैन साहब, बंसल जी के प्वायंटड कवश्चन के जवाब में मंत्री जी ने नहीं बताया कि वहां सुबह की फ्लाइट लैंड करके शाम की क्या कर दी गई ? सुबह की फ्लाइट का बहुत फायदा था । जो लोग यहां से जाते थे वे सारा दिन काम कर शाम को ट्रेन से वापस आ जाते थे । इसी तरह से जो लोग सुबह लुधियाना से दिल्ली आते थे वे शाम को वापिस आ जाते थे । यह टाइम 8 बजे रहीं गर्मियों में सुबह साढ़े छः बजे फ्लाइट जाती थी । वापस उस टाइम लानी चाहिए । आपने जो सैकंड फ्लाइट की बात की, आपने पर्सनल मुझे यह कन्फर्म किया था कि बहुत जल्द चालू होने वाली है । आप यह बतायेंगे कि कब तक चालू हो जाएगी ? आपने टेलीफोन फैसेलिटी की बात की थी । मेरे नालेज के मुताबिक अभी तक वह वहां प्रोवाइड नहीं की गई थी और जो टेलीफोन सुविधा प्रोवाइड होने जा रही है वह लुधियाना से डायरेक्ट नहीं हो रही है बल्कि वह नजदीक के साहनेवाल या दोराहा से दी जा रही है । इसलिए उसका कोई फायदा वहां पर नहीं हो रहा है । टेलीफोन सुविधा वहां पर दी जाए और लुधियाना से उसका डायरेक्ट लिंक हो ।

SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER: Sir, 1 would-like to inform the honourable Member—anjd M[r]- Bansal also because Be too raised the question—> that we will be resuming the flight to Ludiafta in the first week pf May, We will be resuming the "second flight also, which we had withdrawn, as soon as the aircraft cornea from the -base. As for telephones, 1 will take it up with Arjun Singhji and do whatever is possible; looking at the money which Vayudoot and

the National Airports Authority, Wave, we will try to give a^ soon as possible.. (interruptions).. If Mr. Arjun Singn is prepared to give me iree of cost, I won't'mind, Sir.



श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय : मान्यवर, मेरा प्रश्न वायुदूत का अनियमित उड़ान के संबंध में है। वायुदूत क उड़ाने सप्ताह में तीन दिन दिल्ल से ग्वालियर गुना एवं भोपाल से वापस दिल्ली एं तीन दिन दिल्ली ग्वालियर गुना इन्दौर तक वापस दिल्ल आत है। क्या माननीय मंत्र ज बताने क पा करेंगे कि वर्तमान में वायुदूत क उड़ान अनियमित होकर नहीं आ ज रह हैं? क्या मध्य प्रदेश में वायुदूत सेवा बस्तर-झाबुआ आदि-आस: क्षेत्रों में चलाने का सरकार विचार कर रह है?

MB. CHAIRMAN:; Your question la totally out of order. _Madhya Pradesh is not in Punjab.

Now'Question No. '106 please. I know there are a large number of •xperts on this subject.

Effective Population Control Programmes

•10«J. SHRl DHARAM CHANDER FRASHANT: Will the Minister "of HBttTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be-pleased^o state:

(a) whether experts in the field ©f fatnily_ planning have recently tailed for" a more effective population epntrol programme;

(b) Whether Government have bice considered the views pf the experts in this regard; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof and the further steps contem-' plated by Government to undertake effective population control programmes?

THE MINISTER OF STATE TN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY, WTlLFATtE *CKXTMATtt* BAROJ KHAPARDE): (aV to (c) increasing population has serious implications for the overall socio-economic development of the country. Experts have noted this with con cern and have advocated the need for an effective population control. The Government have considered the suggestions put forth by the experts from time to time to control population. The Government have initiated steps which include inter alia (1) developing multisectoral linkages between the family welfare and other socio-economic developmental programmes, (2) Professionalising the Information, Education and Communication activities, (3) ensuring full community participation, (4) improving programme management and adopting differential area and group specific approaches, and (5) improving technical quality of servicer Efforts are being intensified in these ilirections.

SHRl DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT: Mr. Chairman, Sir, the growth of the population is a serious issue. As has been given in the reply, it ha_s serious implications for overall socio-economic development. Sir, for the past several years effort* . are being made to check the grow of poplation, but still we are producing orie Australia every year. By Australia I mean the population of Australia. So many conferences were^ held in which experts on family planning gave concrete suggestions. There is huge literature also. -Despite that, the papulation is on the increase. What is the rea~on? Should I say that these suggestions were not implemented in letter and spirit?

SHRl P. V. NARASIMHA FAO: Sir, when we really look back have to'take a balnced. -i view of what has hnuuened and if a pro programme had not been in operation what would have harroened. TVare the two parameters subject to which anything tan be judged. Now. iiidffino on the ba'is of these parameters, I have no hesitation in saying that to the